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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Federal Emergency Management Agency

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[Internal Agency Docket No. FEMA-B-1256]

Proposed Flood Hazard Determinations

AGENCY: Federal Emergency Management Agency, DHS.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: Comments are requested on proposed flood hazard determinations, which may include additions or modifications of any Base Flood Elevation (BFE), base flood depth, Special Flood Hazard Area (SFHA) boundary or zone designation, or regulatory floodway on the Flood Insurance Rate Maps (FIRMs), and where applicable, in the supporting Flood Insurance Study (FIS) reports for the communities listed in the table below. The purpose of this notice is to seek general information and comment regarding the preliminary FIRM, and where applicable, the FIS report that the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) has provided to the affected communities. The FIRM and FIS report are the basis of the floodplain management measures that the community is required either to adopt or to show evidence of having in effect in order to qualify or remain qualified for participation in the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP). In addition, the FIRM and FIS report, once effective, will be used by insurance agents and others to calculate appropriate flood insurance premium rates for new buildings and the contents of those buildings.

DATES: Comments are to be submitted on or before [INSERT DATE 90 DAYS AFTER DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER].

ADDRESSES: The Preliminary FIRM, and where applicable, the FIS report for each community are available for inspection at both the online location and the respective Community Map Repository address listed in the tables below. Additionally, the current effective FIRM and FIS report for each community are accessible online through the FEMA Map Service Center at www.msc.fema.gov for comparison.

You may submit comments, identified by Docket No. FEMA-B-1256, to Luis Rodriguez, Chief, Engineering Management Branch, Federal Insurance and Mitigation Administration, FEMA, 500 C Street SW., Washington, DC 20472, (202) 646-4064, or (e-mail) <u>Luis.Rodriguez3@fema.dhs.gov.</u>

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Luis Rodriguez, Chief, Engineering Management Branch, Federal Insurance and Mitigation Administration, FEMA, 500 C Street SW., Washington, DC 20472, (202) 646-4064, or (e-mail) Luis.Rodriguez3@fema.dhs.gov; or visit the FEMA Map Information eXchange (FMIX)

online at www.floodmaps.fema.gov/fhm/fmx_main.html.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: FEMA proposes to make flood hazard determinations for each community listed below, in accordance with section 110 of the Flood Disaster Protection Act of 1973, 42 U.S.C. 4104, and 44 CFR 67.4(a).

These proposed flood hazard determinations, together with the floodplain management criteria required by 44 CFR 60.3, are the minimum that are required. They should not be construed to mean that the community must change any existing ordinances

that are more stringent in their floodplain management requirements. The community may at any time enact stricter requirements of its own or pursuant to policies established by other Federal, State, or regional entities. These flood hazard determinations are used to meet the floodplain management requirements of the NFIP and also are used to calculate the appropriate flood insurance premium rates for new buildings built after the FIRM and FIS report become effective.

The communities affected by the flood hazard determinations are provided in the tables below. Any request for reconsideration of the revised flood hazard information shown on the Preliminary FIRM and FIS report that satisfies the data requirements outlined in 44 CFR 67.6(b) is considered an appeal. Comments unrelated to the flood hazard determinations also will be considered before the FIRM and FIS report become effective.

Use of a Scientific Resolution Panel (SRP) is available to communities in support of the appeal resolution process. SRPs are independent panels of experts in hydrology, hydraulics, and other pertinent sciences established to review conflicting scientific and technical data and provide recommendations for resolution. Use of the SRP only may be exercised after FEMA and local communities have been engaged in a collaborative consultation process for at least 60 days without a mutually acceptable resolution of an appeal. Additional information regarding the SRP process can be found online at www.fema.gov/pdf/media/factsheets/2010/srp_fs.pdf.

The watersheds and/or communities affected are listed in the tables below. The Preliminary FIRM, and where applicable, FIS report for each community are available for

inspection at both the online location and the respective Community Map Repository address listed in the tables. Additionally, the current effective FIRM and FIS report for each community are accessible online through the FEMA Map Service Center at www.msc.fema.gov for comparison.

Northampton County, Pennsylvania (All Jurisdictions)		
Maps Available for Inspection Online at: http://www.rampp-team.com/pa.htm		
Community	Community Map Repository Address	
Borough of Bangor	Borough Hall 197 Pennsylvania Avenue Bangor, PA 18013	
Borough of Bath	Borough Hall 214 East Main Street Bath, PA 18014	
Borough of Chapman	Chapman Borough Secretary's Office 1400 Main Street Bath, PA 18014	
Borough of East Bangor	Borough Hall 45 South High Street East Bangor, PA 18013	
Borough of Freemansburg	Borough Hall 600 Monroe Street Freemansburg, PA 18017	
Borough of Glendon	Borough Hall 24 Franklin Street Glendon, PA 18042	
Borough of Hellertown	Borough Municipal Building 685 Main Street Hellertown, PA 18055	
Borough of Nazareth	Borough Engineer's Office Keller Consulting Engineers, Inc. 49 East Center Street Nazareth, PA 18064	
Borough of North Catasauqua	Borough Hall 1066 4th Street North Catasauqua, PA 18032	
Borough of Northampton	Borough Municipal Office 1401 Laubach Avenue Northampton, PA 18067	

Borough of Pen Argyl Borough Office

11-13 North Robinson Avenue

Pen Argyl, PA 18072

Borough of Portland Borough Building

1 Division Street Portland, PA 18351

Borough of Roseto Borough Office

164 Garibaldi Avenue Roseto, PA 18013

Borough of Stockertown Borough Hall

209 Main Street

Stockertown, PA 18083

Borough of Tatamy Borough Municipal Building

423 Broad Street Tatamy, PA 18085

Borough of Walnutport Borough Offices

417 Lincoln Avenue Walnutport, PA 18088

Borough of West Easton Borough Hall

237 7th Street

West Easton, PA 18042

Borough of Wilson Wilson Borough Hall

2040 Hay Terrace Easton, PA 18042

Borough of Wind Gap Borough Offices

29 Mechanic Street Wind Gap, PA 18091

City of Bethlehem City Hall

Planning Office 10 East Church Street Bethlehem, PA 18018

City of Easton Public Services and Engineering Department

1 South 3rd Street Easton, PA 18042

Township of Allen Allen Township Hall

4714 Indian Trail Road Northampton, PA 18067

Township of Bethlehem Municipal Building

4225 Easton Avenue Bethlehem, PA 18020

Township of Bushkill Bushkill Township Hall

1114 Bushkill Center Road

Nazareth, PA 18064

Township of East Allen

East Allen Township Offices 5344 Nor-Bath Boulevard Northampton, PA 18067 Township of Forks Forks Township Hall

1606 Sullivan Trail Easton, PA 18040

Township of Hanover Hanover Township Engineering Office

252 Broadhead Road

Suite 100

Bethlehem, PA 18017

Township of Lehigh Lehigh Township Municipal Building

1069 Municipal Road Walnutport, PA 18088

Township of Lower Mount

Bethel

Lower Mount Bethel Township Hall

6984 South Delaware Drive Martins Creek, PA 18063

Township of Lower Nazareth Lower Nazareth Township Zoning Administrator's Office

306 Butztown Road Bethlehem, PA 18020

Township of Lower Saucon Lower Saucon Township Hall

3700 Old Philadelphia Pike Bethlehem, PA 18015

Township of Moore Moore Township Municipal Building

2491 Community Drive

Bath, PA 18014

Township of Palmer Township Municipal Building

3 Weller Place Palmer, PA 18043

Township of Plainfield Plainfield Township Hall

6292 Sullivan Trail Nazareth, PA 18064

Township of Upper Mount

Bethel

Upper Mount Bethel Township Municipal Building

387 Ye Olde Highway Mount Bethel, PA 18343

Township of Upper Nazareth Upper Nazareth Township Municipal Building

100 Newport Avenue Nazareth, PA 18064

Township of Washington Washington Township Hall

1021 Washington Boulevard

Bangor, PA 18013

Township of Williams Williams Township Municipal Building

655 Cider Press Road Easton, PA 18042

Lincoln County, West Virginia, and Incorporated Areas

Maps Available for Inspection Online a	: https://www.rampp-team.com/wv.htm

Community Community Map Repository Address

Town of Hamlin	Town Hall 220-1 Main Street Hamlin, WV 25523
Town of West Hamlin	Town Hall 6649 Guyan Street West Hamlin, WV 25571
Unincorporated Areas of Lincoln County	Lincoln County Courthouse 497 Court Avenue Hamlin, WV 25523

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